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From: Hewitt, James
Sent: Fri 8/18/2017 7:36:59 PM
Subject: RE: URGENT: NYTIMES QUESTIONS ABOUT FOIA DOCUMENTS RECEIVED - POSTING STORY TODAY

Yes, thank you.

From: Daguiard, Robert
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James and 3rd floor team, I assume you'll take this inquiry as you did the previous set of questions on this issue. Please confirm.

From: RABIN, RONI [<mailto:roni.rabin@nytimes.com>]
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Hi- We need urgent response to the following questions, in response to the FOIA's documents we received today: Our story will post later this afternoon/evening. Thank you.

1. Was there any new scientific information or analysis of chlorpyrifos reviewed during the process of making the decision in March to deny the petition to ban chlorpyrifos?
2. On March 7 Ryan Jackson wrote to Samantha Dravis "They are trying to strong arm us. I scared them Friday." In an email on March 8 he said "I'm kidding. Wendy is actually very helpful. I think I did scare them or surprise them Friday. They are getting us information from Friday but they know where this is headed and they are documenting it well." These emails were days after meeting about Chlorpyrifos with agency scientists. What was he referring to by saying he "scared" them?
3. On March 1, Scott Pruitt met with the Minnesota Farm Bureau and promised "a new day, a new future" in environmental regulations. Was this commitment part of the reason the EPA changed course on chlorpyrifos?
4. What role did political considerations play in this decision? Did the professional career

staff resist the petition denial - is that what Jackson meant in email on March 7 "They are trying to strong arm them"?

thanks Roni Rabin

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